

Lung Nodule Classification Using Deep Features in CT Images

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Challenges and Motivation

- Why?
 - Lung cancer results in **17%** of total cancer related deaths.
 - **Early diagnosis** required as it is harder to contain in later stages.
 - **Burden** on doctors for early diagnosis.
 - **Untapped data** is now available to build effective computer aided diagnosis (CAD) systems.
- Goal: **second opinion!**

Proposed Approach

- Build an effective CAD system to classify annotated nodules as malignant or benign using *deep* features extracted from autoencoder and binary decision tree as classifier.

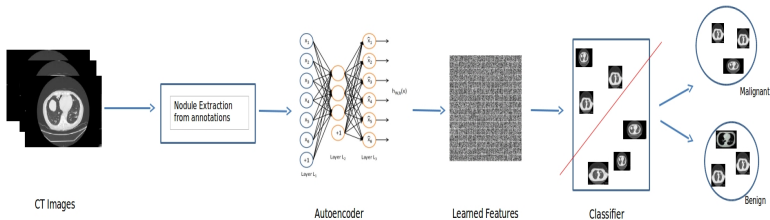
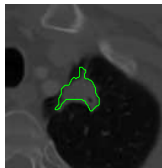


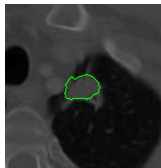
Figure : Proposed system flow diagram

CAD system Design : Dataset

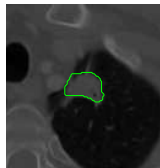
- LIDC-IDRI dataset
 - Thoracic CT images of 1010 patients
 - Diagnostic data for 157 patients available (ground truth)
 - Ratings: 0-Unknown, 1-benign, 2-Primary malignant, 3-metastatic
 - Annotations provided!
 - Nodule size: 3 mm to 30 mm



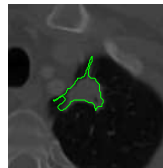
(A)



(C)



(B)

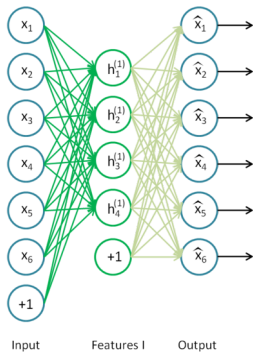


(D)

Figure : Annotations provided by four different radiologists

CAD system Design : Autoencoder

- Design:
 - Encoder
 - Decoder



- Let

- input be $f(x^i) \in [0, 1]^d$
- latent space $y \in [0, 1]^d$
- ϕ be non linear function

$$y = \phi(Wf(x^i) + b) \quad (1)$$

- Reconstruction:

$$f(x^i)' = \phi(W'y + b') \quad (2)$$

- Error minimization:

$$\min_{W,b} \sum_{i=1}^n \| f(x^i)' - f(x^i) \|^2 \quad (3)$$

Stacked Autoencoder

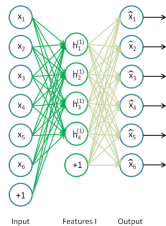


Figure : Stacked autoencoder formation

Stacked Autoencoder

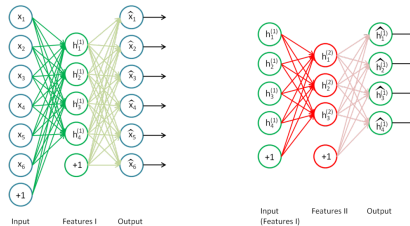


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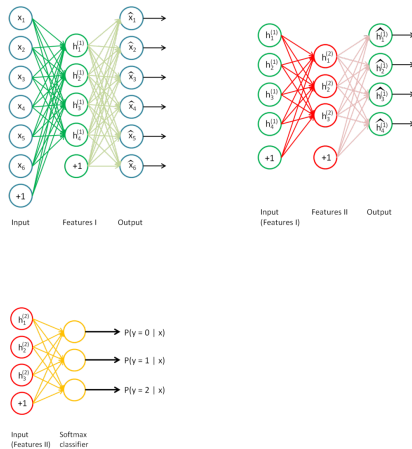


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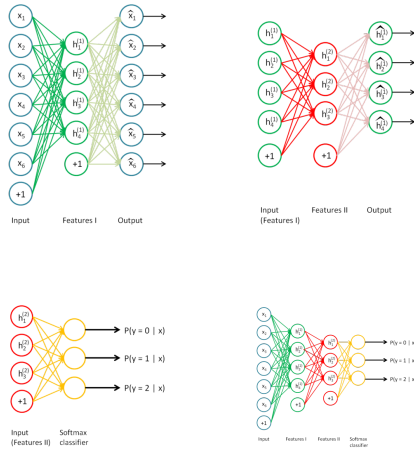
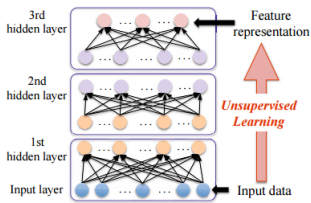


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- Our Design
 - 3 Hidden layers
 - layer size 200,100,200
 - Iteration set: 30
 - Batch size: 400
 - Feature extraction at 3rd hidden layer



Experimental Setup

- Data: 4303 Instances (4323 nodules)
 - Obtained from diagnostic data
 - all provided annotation considered
 - Rating: 1: benign & 0,2,3: malignant
- Feature extraction: features are extracted from 4th layer (3rd hidden layer)
 - 200 dim. vector
- Training:
 - 90% of 4303 Instances
 - 10-fold cross validation

- 10 fold cross validation avg. :
 - Accuracy: 75.01
 - Sensitivity: 83.35
 - FP/patient: 0.39

	Deep Features	Belief Decision Trees ¹
Accuracy	75.01%	68.66%

¹D. Zinovev et al., Probabilistic lung nodule classification with belief decision trees in EMBC, 2011 Annual International Conference of the IEEE. IEEE, 2011, pp. 44934498

Results: Difficult cases

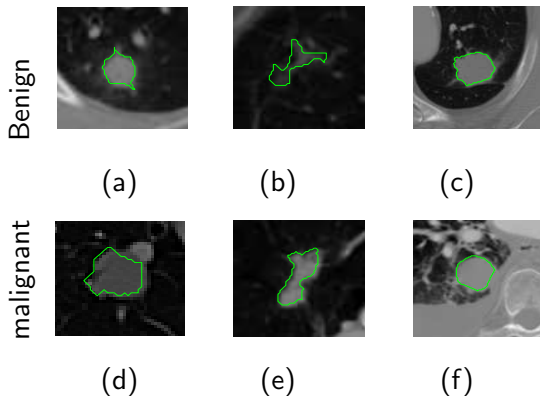


Figure : significant visual similarities between the annotated nodules in (a,d), (b,e) and (c,f), making it very difficult to differentiate between such nodules during the classification process.

- So, What?

- different deep architectures (e.g. CNN) & more hidden layers
i.e. *very deep* networks (16-19 layers)
- combination of features
- STAPLE
- SPIE lung nodule classification challenge
- Automatic nodule detection

Thank you for listening!

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